GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1068
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FILLING UP OF RESERVE POSTS IN MILITARY ENGINEER SERVICE
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representation of SCs, STs and OBCs has not reached the level of 15%, 7.5% and 27% respectively reserved for them in Military Engineer Service (Mechanical Branch);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of `sanctioned posts` of Military Engineer Service (Mechanical Posts) Group A;

(d) the number of persons belonging to SC, ST, OBC and General categories working against such posts including their respective percentage to such posts as on 2nd July 1997 as ascertained as per the instructions contained under para 5 of DOPTO M No. 36012/2/96-Estt (Res) dated 2nd July, 1997; and

(e) the fresh vacancies occurred during 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 and year-wise number of such vacancies/posts filled by persons from SCs, STs, OBCs and General categories?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Even though demand for filling vacancies in Military Engineer Service is sent to UPSC clearly indicating the number of SC, ST, OBC and General category vacancies, it is assumed that non availability of the requisitenumbers of SC/ST/OBC candidates may be the sole cause of under subscription of SC/ST/OBC in Military Engineers Service.

(c) 188 posts are earmarked for mechanical engineers in MES.

(d) Number of persons belonging to SC/ST/General categories with respective percentage is as given below:-

General	SC	ST	Total
171	14	03	188
90.9 %	7 %	2 %	

The demarcation of OBC candidate is not available prior to 1997 and it is not possible to segregate them from General candidates.

(e) Fresh vacancies occurred during the last five years and intimated to the UPSC are given below:

	SC	ST	OBC	GENERAL	TOTAL
1997 -	07	11	39	57	
1998	03	08	09	22	47
1999	03	17	21	41	
2000		15	26	41	
2001	12	02	06	20	

Vacancies filled during 1997-1999 are as follows:-

	SC	ST	OBC	GENERAL	TOTAL
1997	-	04	06	22	32
1998	02	01	05	14	22
1999			13	15	28

Selection yet to be finalized by the UPSC for the year 2000 and 2001.